

ಅಧ್ಯಕ್ಷರು. — ಮಾನ್ಯ ಸದಸ್ಯರು ಈಗೇನೂ ವಿಚಾರ ಎತ್ತುತ್ತಿದ್ದಾರೆ ಆ ವಿಷಯದಲ್ಲಿ ಅವರ ಯಾವ ಒಂದು ನೋಟೀಸನ್ನೂ ಕೊಟ್ಟಿಲ್ಲ. ಆದರೆ ಹಾಗೇ ಸಭೆಯಲ್ಲಿ ತಮಗೆ ಮಾನ್ಯನೆಂದು ವಿಷಯಗಳನ್ನು ಹೇಳಬಹುದೆಂದು ಅವರು ಭಾವಿಸಿದ್ದಂತೆ ಕಾಣುತ್ತಿದೆ. ಅದಾದರೂ ಮಾನ್ಯ ಲಿಂಗಪ್ಪ ಅವರು ದಯಮಾಡಿ ಕುಳಿತುಕೊಳ್ಳಬೇಕು, ಹೀಗೆಲ್ಲ ಮಾತನಾಡಬಹುದು.

ಶ್ರೀ ಎಚ್. ಎಸ್. ಸಿದ್ದಪ್ಪ (ಅರಸೀಕೆರೆ). — ನಾನು ಆ ಸರ್ಟಿಫೈಡ್ ಸ್ಕೂಲುಗಳಲ್ಲಿ ಸತ್ತ ಪೂರಂ ಜನ ಹೆಣ್ಣು ವೇಕಳ ಬಗ್ಗೆ ಒಂದು ಸೂಚನೆಯನ್ನು ತಮ್ಮ ಕಡೆಗೆ ಕಳುಹಿಸಿದ್ದೆ.

ಅಧ್ಯಕ್ಷರು. — ಅದು ಸದ್ಯದಲ್ಲೇ ಬರುತ್ತದೆ.

Privilege motion Re: P.U.C. Report

ಶ್ರೀ ಎಸ್. ಬಂಗಾರಪ್ಪ (ಸೋರಬ). — ಮಾನ್ಯ ಅಧ್ಯಕ್ಷರೇ ನಾನು ತಮಗೆ ರೂಲ್ ೧೭೭ರ ಪ್ರಕಾರ ಈ ಸಭೆಯ ಹಕ್ಕು ಭಾಧ್ಯತೆಗೆ ಸಂಬಂಧಪಟ್ಟ ವಿಚಾರವೊಂದರ ಬಗ್ಗೆ ಅಂದರೆ ಸಿ.ಯು.ಸಿ. ವರದಿಯ ಬಗ್ಗೆ ಮಾನ್ಯ ಅರಣ್ಯ ಸಚಿವರಾದ ಶ್ರೀ ಕೆ. ಎಚ್. ಪಾಟೀಲರವರು ಆ ವರದಿಯನ್ನು ಒಂದು ಸ್ಕ್ರಾಪ್ ಆಫ್ ಪೇಪರ್ ಎಂದು ಹೇಳಿದ್ದರ ವಿಚಾರವಾಗಿ...

ಅಧ್ಯಕ್ಷರು. — ಅದಕ್ಕೆ ನಾನು ತಮಗಾಗಲೇ ಉತ್ತರ ಕಳುಹಿಸಿದ್ದೇನೆ. ಅದನ್ನು ಮತ್ತೆ ಇಲ್ಲಿ ಎತ್ತುವುದಕ್ಕೆ ಅವಕಾಶವಿಲ್ಲ. ಮಾನ್ಯ ಸದಸ್ಯರು ದಯಮಾಡಿ ಕುಳಿತುಕೊಳ್ಳಬೇಕು.

ಶ್ರೀ ಎಸ್. ಬಂಗಾರಪ್ಪ. — ಮಾನ್ಯ ಅಧ್ಯಕ್ಷರು ದಯಮಾಡಿ ಒಂದು ನಿಮಿಷ ಕುಳಿತುಕೊಂಡರೆ ನಾನು ಏನು ಹೇಳುತ್ತಿದ್ದೇನೆಂಬುದನ್ನು ಅವರಿಗೆ ತಿಳಿಯಲು ಅವಕಾಶವಾಗುತ್ತದೆ.

ಅಧ್ಯಕ್ಷರು. — ಆ ವಿಚಾರವನ್ನು ಮತ್ತೆ ಇಲ್ಲಿ ಎತ್ತುವುದಕ್ಕೆ ಅವಕಾಶವಿಲ್ಲ.

Re.— Taking up of approved works in old Mysore area.

ಶ್ರೀ ಬಿ. ಪುಟ್ಟಸ್ವಾಮಯ್ಯ (ರಾಮನಗರ). — ಹಳೇ ಮೈಸೂರು ವಿಭಾಗದಲ್ಲಿ ನಡೆಯಬೇಕಾದರೆ ಆನೇಕ ಬಹಳ ಪ್ರಾಮುಖ್ಯವಾದ ಕಾಮಗಾರಿಗಳ ಬಗ್ಗೆ ಟೆಕ್ನಿಕಲ್ ಅಪ್ರೂವಲ್ ಆಗಿದ್ದು ಅವುಗಳ ಅಡ್ಡಿಸ್ಟ್ರೀಟಿಂಗ್ ಆಪ್ತವಲ್ಲದಿದ್ದರೆ ಕಳುಹಿಸಲಾಗಿದೆ ಎಂಬ ನೆಪದಲ್ಲಿ ಆ ಕೆಲಸಗಳನ್ನೆಲ್ಲಾ ಹಾಗೇ ಕೈಬಿಟ್ಟಿದ್ದಾರೆ. ಇದರಿಂದ ಬಹಳ ಕಷ್ಟವಾಗಿದೆ. ಕಳೆದ ಎರಡು ವರ್ಷಗಳಿಂದ ಇಲ್ಲಿ ಒಂದು ಕಾಮಗಾರಿಗಳನ್ನು ಮಾಡಿಸಲಿಲ್ಲ...

ಅಧ್ಯಕ್ಷರು. — ಈಗ ಮಾನ್ಯ ಆರ್ಥಿಕ ಸಚಿವರು ಒಂದು ಹೇಳಿಕೆಯನ್ನು ಕೊಡುತ್ತಾರೆ, ತಾವು ಕೇಳಬೇಕು.

## STATEMENT OF THE FINANCE MINISTER

*Re. The Financial position of the State*

Sri M. Y. GHORPADE (Minister for Finance)

The present financial situation of the state should be viewed in the context of drought expenditure and the new phase of financial discipline in which continuing over-draft has no place. Previously, the State could run into almost unlimited over-drafts. That is how the over-draft of our State was as much as Rs. 70 crores in April 1972. This was the financial burden which the new Government had to commence its task. The Government of India no doubt gave an advance of Rs. 62 crores towards clearance of over draft, but of this

amount as much as Rs. 22 crores have to be repaid during 1972-73 and 1973-74. The Permissible over-draft of the State is now Rs. 7.5 crores, any over-draft above this limit is not permissible. This obviously means that the management of the State finances and especially the ways and means position becomes for more critical than ever before. The process of adjustment to this new situation may seem difficult, but it is inevitable in the interest of financial discipline and the objective of keeping deficit financing within reasonable limits.

2 The task was all the more difficult for Karnataka, which is a deficit State, and had to face unprecedented drought starting from about the middle of 1972. Nearly half the state's population was affected by drought in varying degrees and both the Kharif and Rabi crops failed in large tracts of the State spread over several districts. It became the primary human responsibility of the Government to provide work, water, food and fodder to the affected population to enable them to survive this natural calamity. Our ways and means position could not be allowed to come in the way of our drought relief programme which was development oriented. The emphasis was on providing employment on productive works such as soil conservation, minor, medium and major irrigation, communications, drinking water wells, etc. The Government has the satisfaction of not having failed the people in their hour of need

3. The amount spent on drought so far during 1972-73 and 1973-74 is about Rs. 55 crores. It is expected that another Rs. 10 crores or so will have to be spent during the next few months taking the total expenditure on drought to about Rs. 65 crores. Against this, we have received Central assistance of Rs. 26.5 crores, consisting of Rs. 16.5 crores in 1972-73 and 10 crores in 1973-74. In addition, the Centre has given us ways and means advances twice this year, Rs. 12.4 crores in April and Rs. 10 crores in August, but these advances are recoverable during the year. We have requested Government of India for drought assistance of Rs. 25 crores, apart from 26.5 crores already received. We have also urged that a deficit State like Mysore should not be asked to bear 25% of the drought expenditure and that the expenditure should be met fully by the Centre, 5% as loan and 50% as grant. We are confident that Government of India will do its best to help Mysore in meeting its drought expenditure, which has to be viewed separately from the normal budgetary expenditure.

4. We have been doing our best to manage our budgetary deficits by keeping expenditure within reasonable limits and improving receipts. It may be recalled that the Budget Estimates 1973-74 anticipated a deficit of Rs. 36 crores. Having regard to the general economic situation in the country and the need to keep down

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inflationary pressure we have taken steps to reduce this bulgetary gap of Rs. 36 crores by about Rs. 23 crores. This is being done by concerted efforts to collect tax and non-tax dues and by pruning expenditure. However, in effecting economies, we have taken care to ensure that the essential development activities are not affected.

5. Basically, there is no cause to be apprehensive about Mysore's financial situation. The legacy of the over-draft which this Government inherited and the heavy expenditure on drought have no doubt caused strain, but I am confident that, with a measure of austerity during next few months and the continued support of Government of India, we can manage the situation without undue difficulty. In order to relieve immediate pressure on our ways and means, the Centre has already agreed to rephase over the rest of the year the heavy instalment of loan repayment due next month amounting to Rs. 30 crores. We are confident of a positive response on drought assistance also. Happily, the rainfall has been timely and adequate practically all over the state and there are prospects of a bumper Kharif harvest. The award of the Finance Commission which is expected in the next month or two, should also make for a significant improvement in Mysore's finances from next year, enabling the State to look forward to a further acceleration in the pace of development with greater financial strength and stability.

#### DISCUSSION ON A MATTER OF PUBLIC IMPORTANCE UNDER RULE 146

*Re.—Second Report of the Committee on Public undertakings.*

SRI M. S. KRISHNAN.—(Malleswaram) Madam Speaker, I beg to move.

"That the Second Report of the Committee on Public Undertakings on the working of the Agro-Industries Corporation be taken into Consideration."

MADAM SPEAKER.—Motion moved:

"That the Second Report of the Committee on Public Undertakings on the working of the Agro-Industries Corporation be taken into consideration."

† ಶ್ರೀ ಎಂ. ಎಸ್. ಕೃಷ್ಣನ್.—ಸನ್ಮಾನ್ಯ ಸಭಾಧ್ಯಕ್ಷರೇ, ಕೃಷಿ ಕೈಗಾರಿಕೆ ಕಾರ್ಪೊರೇಷನ್ ಬಗ್ಗೆ ಪಬ್ಲಿಕ್ ಅಂಡರ್ ಟೇಕಿಂಗ್ ಕಮಿಟಿಯವರು ಒಂದು ವರದಿಯನ್ನು ಕೊಟ್ಟಿದ್ದಾರೆ. ಆ ವರದಿಯ ಬಗ್ಗೆ ನಾವು ಇಲ್ಲಿ ಕೂಲಂಕಷವಾಗಿ ಚರ್ಚೆ ಮಾಡಬೇಕೆಂದು ಈ ಸೂಚನೆಯನ್ನು ತಂದಿದ್ದೇನೆ. ಆ ವರದಿ ಇವತ್ತಿನ